Chapter 2 Operating System Structures

OS Services

- User Interface
- Program Execution
- I/O Operation
- File System manipulation
- Communication
- Error detection
- Resource Allocation
- Accounting
- Protection/Security

User Interface to the OS

Command Interpreter

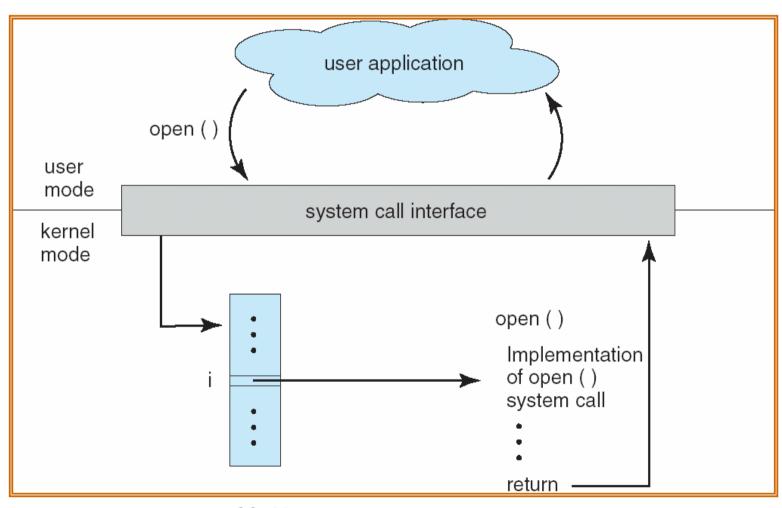
- Command line
- Unix Shell
- C:\
- Mac Terminal

• GUI

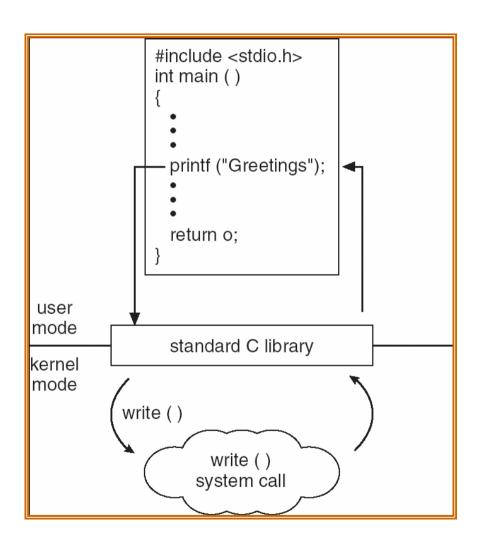
- Xerox PARC
- Mac OS
- Windows
- X-Windows
- KDE/GNOME

System Calls

- Interface to OS (kernel) services
- Wrapped in API (API = ?)
 - POSIXlibc.solibgcc.so
 - Win32
 - Java API
 - why?



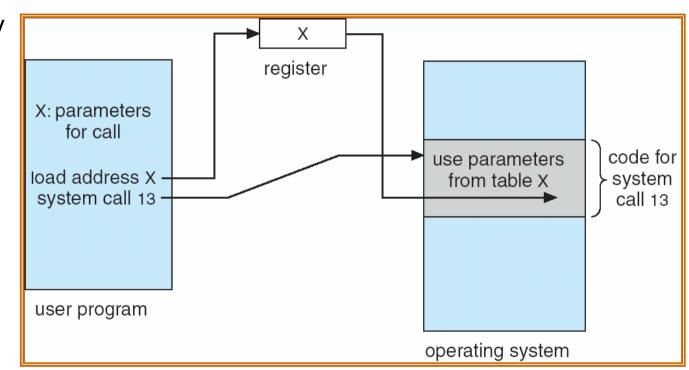
System Call via Library



Systems Calls: Data

- Passing data to a system call
 - Registers
 - Block of memory
 - Stack

Advantages/Disadvantages?



Types of System Calls

- Process Control
 - How does GDB work?
- File access
- Device access
- Information maintenance
- Communications

Process Control

- What are some process control system calls?
 - _
 - _
 - _
 - _
- How does GDB work?
 - the ptrace API
 - what does GDB need to do?

More System Calls....

File Management

- Device Management
 - How is this different from File Management?
 - When would you use this?

Even More....

- Information Maintenance
 - Date
 - Time
- Communication
 - Message passing
 - pipes
 - Shared memory
 - Networking

Operating System Design

Design Goals

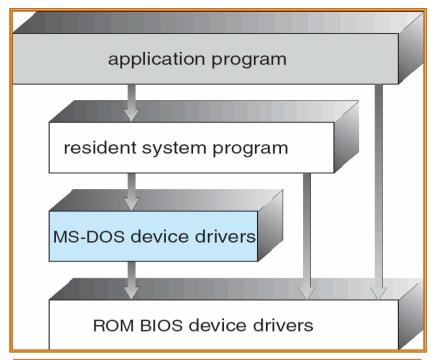
Mechanism vs Policies

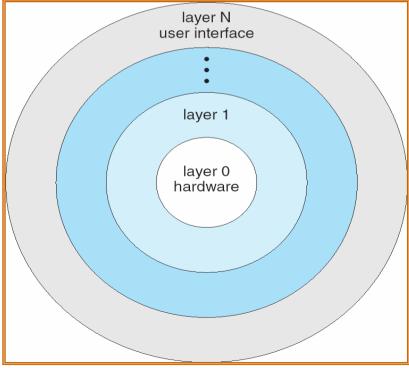
- Implementations
 - Assembly vs C
 - advantages/disadvantages?

OS Structure

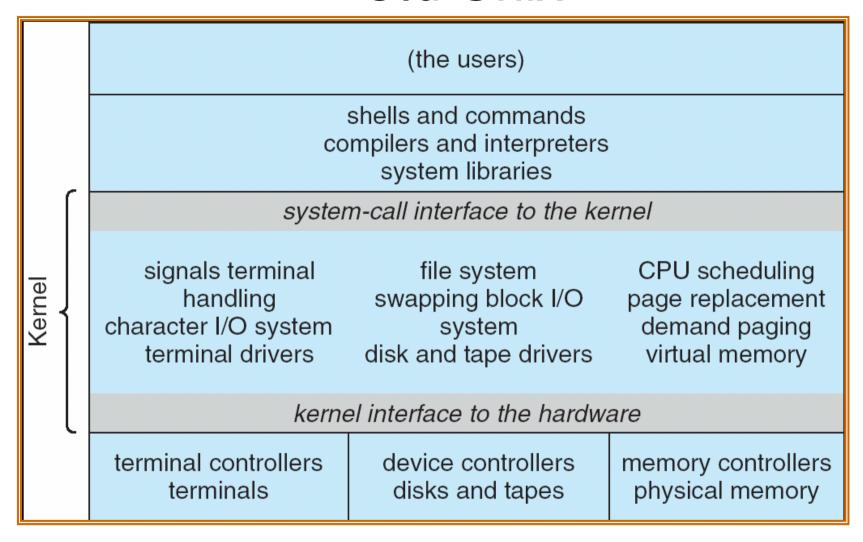
- Simple
 - MS DOS
 - Monolithic

Layered





Old Unix

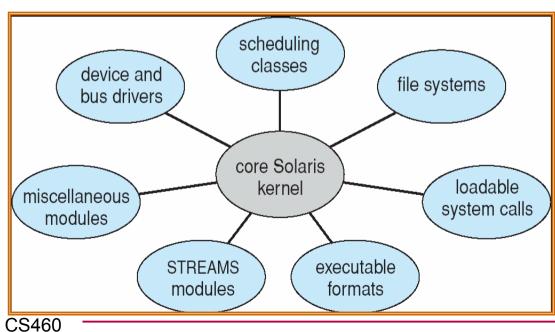


Really Big Layers

Structure

- Microkernel
 - Mach/MacOS

- Modular
 - Modern Linux/Unix



Virtual Machines (VM)

- Abstract away the hardware
 - Real or imagined hardware
 - Parallels
 - VMWare/Bochs
 - Java VM

